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Dear

Thank you for your letter of 1 December 2015 requesting the following information:

"I understand that the land and facilities which the Ministry of Defence have used in the North Rhineland are being gradually returned to the German government parcel by parcel. Would it be possible for you to inform me of the specific department within the German government that this relates to and direct me to the name of the individual that I may address enquiries?"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

Property owned by the Federal Republic of Germany is made available to British Forces to use exclusively for Defence purposes. As British Forces leave Germany, buildings are released back to the Bundesanstalt für Immobilienaufgaben (BImA). Further information about BImA is available on their website www.bundesimmobilien.de.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact DIO Secretariat in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat